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LETTER TO PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

In response to the Office action of July 2, 2004, please consider the following remarks and arguments set forth in this Letter To Patent and Trademark Office. Reconsideration of the rejection of all pending claims is respectfully requested and allowance of all pending claims is respectfully requested.

REMARKS

No claims have been amended herein. After entry of this Letter To Patent and Trademark Office claims 1-42 will be pending in this case.

As discussed more thoroughly below, Applicants assert that the Haynes, et al. reference (U.S. Patent No. 6,686,303) cited by the Office is not prior art under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) against the present invention as asserted by the Office. In support of this assertion, Applicants are enclosing herewith the Notice of Recordation and Assignment of the Haynes, et al. reference indicating the assignment to Kimberly-Clark, along with the Notice of Recordation and Assignment for the instant application indicating the assignment to Kimberly-Clark. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.